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MINUTES

OF THE

NINETY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

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HELD WITH

THE CHURCH AT HORSE CREEK

Ashe County, North Carolina

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

September 8, 9, 10, 1950

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ELDER ED. DAVIS, Moderator

W. W. MILLER, Clerk

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Proceedings

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1950

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer and praise by Elder A. T. Whittington.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten. Text: St. Matthews, 2nd chapter, 21st verse.

After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Elder J. I. Bowlin.

1st. On motion receive and read letters from all our churches and seat the messengers.

2nd. On motion call for petition letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion organize the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis Moderator, and W. W. Miller, Clerk.

4th. On motion call for correspondents from sister Associations. The following came forward and were seated.

On motion to seat sisters in our Association.

From St. Clair's Bottom — Elder C. N. Tilson.

From Mountain — Elder Steve Roberts, Elder Ed Douglas, Clarence Ward.

From Indian Creek — Elder G. T. Foley, Elder O. H. Mann, Reed Blevins.

From Abbots Creek — Elder D. P. Broadway, A. T. Walser.

From Roaring River — Elder A. T. Whittington, Bro. J. F. Coffey.

From Upper Mayo — Minutes.

From Fisher's River — Minutes.

5th. On motion call for transient and visiting brethren from sister Associations and the following came forward and were seated:

From St. Clair's Bottom — Bro. A. T. Elder, R. C. Price and wife Sister Ada Walton.

From Mountain — None.

From Indian Creek — Elder J. I. Bowlin, Elder C. B. D. Taylor, Elder I. W. Kilby and wife, Bros. J. L. Davis, Luther Easter. I. C. Taylor, R. C. Miller and wife.

From Abbots Creek — Sister May Blevins.

From Roaring River — Bro. Fasco Pruitt.

From Fishers River — None.

From Upper Mayo — None.

From Powell's Valley — Minutes.

6th. On motion we seat the correspondents and visiting brethren from sister Associations.

7th. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

8th He appointed a committee on Ministry as follows: Bros. Felix Bare, J. F. Miller, Clifford McNeill.

9th. He appointed a committee on Finance as follows: F. T. Miller, C. N. Davis, P. T. McNeill.

10th. He appointed a committee on Arrangements as follows: Elder G. D. Roten, Bros. G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger.

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11th. He appointed a committee to appoint correspondents to sister Associations: Fred Weaver, Carl Ball, Edwin Hartzog.

12th. On motion that the committee on Arrangements set at Millard Davis'.

13th. On motion we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10 a. m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1950

1st. The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday and was opened with prayer by Elder O. H. Mann.

2nd. Called the roll and erased the absentees.

3rd. On motion we omit reading the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

4th. On motion that the correspondents who were appointed to sister Associations to report and excuse those who fail to go.

5th. Called on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister Associations to report. Their report is as follows: To St. Clair's Bottom — To be held with the Troutdale church, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1950.

ELDER G. D. ROTEN,
BRO. G. E. KILBY,
CALLIE SEVERT.

To the Mountain — To be held with the Rock Creek church three miles from Independence, Va., just off the Independence, Galax highway, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1951. Elders Ed Davis, G. D. Roten, Bro. Fred Weaver.

To Indian Creek — To be held with the Little Vine church, 5 miles South from Beckley on highway 19 and 21. Beginning Friday before the last Sunday in August. Elder Ed Davis, F. T. Miller, Rex Jones.

To Abbots Creek — To be held with the White Oak Springs church in Montgomery county between the towns of Either and Star, beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in August. Elder G. D. Roten, B. Dillard, P. T. McNeill.

Upper Mayo — To be held with the Cedar Falls church, Stokes county, 5 miles north of Danbury, west of Highway 89. Beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in May, 1951. Elder G. D. Roten, Bros. Tom Severt, Callie Severt.

Fishers River — To be held with the Volunteer church, 2 miles southeast of Pilot Mountain. Beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1951. Bros. Clifford McNeill, G. E. Kilby.

Roaring River — To be held with the Meadow Fork church on Highway 18, toward Sparta. Beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in September 1950. Bros. G. E. Kilby, F. T. Miller, Fred Weaver.

6th. That we continue to correspond with Washington, Ebenezer, Powells Valley Associations by Minute.

7th. That we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in this Minute.

8th. On motion we appoint Clerk - Treasurer to superin-

tend the printing of these minutes, to have 1,000 copies printed and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion that the next Association be held with the Roans Creek church, 8 miles from West Jefferson on Highway 88. Beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September 1951. That Elder Ed Davis preach the introductory sermon.

10th. On motion call on Finance committee to report. Their report is as follows:

Carried over from last year	$ 19.00
Received from all the churches	164.00
Total	$183.00
Allowed Moderator	$ 15.00
Allowed Clerk	15.00
Allowed for Minutes	50.00
Allowed Correspondents	103.00
Total	$183.00
Given at stand on Sunday by Brothers, Sisters and friends	$ 70.00

13th. On motion that we have the Articles of Faith printed in this minute.

14. On motion that we have the obituary of Bro. J. F. Hartzog printed in this minute.

15th. On motion we return thanks to God for His mercy, and to Brethren, Sisters and kind friends for their kind hospitality during this session and that we adjourn with prayer by Elder Ed Davis.

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator.
W. W. MILLER, Clerk.

OBITUARY

Jefferson Filmore Hartzog was born February 16th., 1864. Departed this life Oct. 17, 1949. He was married to Mary J. Miller, Dec. 11, 1884. To this union were born 3 sons, Wiley G., T. Edward and B. K.

He was baptised by Elder H. B. Miller in 1893. He served as county commissioner and other offices in the county. He was a strong believer in doctrine of salvation by grace. He served as clerk of River View church for a number of years and was also clerk of the Senter Association.

He was faithful and devoted to the caused of our blessed Master. Fought a good fight, kept the faith. Our loss is his eternal gain. Sleep on dear one till the Lord awakes you in His blessed likeness.

Written by Elder Ed Davis.

ORDER OF PREACHING

FRIDAY

The introductary sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten, 2nd chapter, 21st verse St. Matthew.

Elder G. T. Foley, no special text.

SATURDAY

Elder C. N. Tilson, text, 6th chapter Song's Sol.
Elder D. P. Broadway, no special text.
Elder A. T Whittington, text, 5th chapter St. John.
Elder C. B. D. Taylor, no special text.

SUNDAY

Elder I. W. Kilby, to introduce.
Elder O. H. Mann, text 2nd Tim. 9th verse.
Elder S. P. Roberts, 9 chapter, 5th verse Isac.
Elder, L. G. Cashon, Ruth, 1st chapter, 16th verse.
Elder J. I. Bowlin, failed to get text.
Elder Ed Douglas, Songs of Solomon.
Elder J. G. Fulk, no special text.

AT BEAVER CREEK FRIDAY NIGHT

Elders D. P. Broadway and J. I. Bowlin.

SAT NIGHT AT BEAVER CREEK

Elders J. I. Bowlin and Ed Douglas.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR POST OFFICE

Elder Ed Davis _____ Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten _____ West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Leo V. Bagley _____ Crumpler, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby _____ Rugby, Va.
Licentiates _____ Ed Severt

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches	Clerks and their P. O.
Santer — 85	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek — 60	F. T. Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Bear Creek — 35	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.
Beaver Creek — 35	P. T. McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.
River View — 30	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork — 60	W. W. Miller, Clifton, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 85	C. N. Davis, Whitetop, Va.
Horse Creek — 45	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton — 85	B. O. Dolinger, Sturgills, N. C.
South Fork — 30	Jennie Douglas, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and No. of Minutes	Clerks and their P. O.
St. Clairs Bottom — 30	Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain — 50	Author Gambill, Sparta, N. C.
Indian Creek — 30	J. R. Lilly, Hinton, W. Va., Box 136
Fishers River — 50	G. J. Keys, Ararat, N. C.
Washington — 40	M. C. Southerland, Birchleaf, Va.
Ebenezer — 20	O. F. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.
Powells Valley — 30	M. V. Browning, Maynardville, Tenn., Box 52.
Abbots Creek — 25	T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C.
Roaring River — 20	A. T. Whittington, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Upper Mayo — 20	J. W. Morefield, Winston - Salem, N. C. 618 W. 28 St.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failings or imperfections; but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation but the title of Brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any members who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek and Big Helton, and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at the annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by their respective delegates in a convention with the Senter church, 21st October, 1853, formed and apodted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those

baptised, received by letter, excluded and dead, since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any classical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular Decorum.

5. The Association shall have a moderator and clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches of any regular Baptist church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any Sister Association, upon application by letter and Delegates, shall be admitted into our Union.

7. Every church in the Union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented in the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the number of the proceedings; the best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the Discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and the monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general Union of Churches; to endeavor to preserve a change of communion among the churches; to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the Union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in the one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the word of God and the only rules of Faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God and shall never finally fall away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We belive that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe that the only true mode of baptism is by emmersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general enjoyment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the impressions of the hand b by presbytery.

Statistical Table

CHURCHES — Names of Church Messengers	Sunday of Meeting	Received by Exp. & Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored to Fellowship	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
BEAR CREEK — Ed Severt, Callie Severt, Geo. Caudill	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	30	7.00
BEAVER CREEK — P. T. McNeill, Geo. Miller, R. L. Speaks Elder Blair Kilby, B. O. Dolinger	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	37	32.00
BIG HELTON — Gaither Blevins, G. E. Kilby	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	81	40.00
HORSE CREEK — Carl Ball, M. Davis, Lee Landreth	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	27	10.00
NORTH FORK — Elder G. D. Roten, W. M. Miller, J. F. Miller	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	42	21.00
POND MOUNTAIN — Elder Ed Davis, C. N. Davis, J. H. Eldreth	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	70	14.25
RIVER VIEW — T. E. Hartzog, Clifford McNeill	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	26	8.25
ROANS CREEK — F. Weaver, Tom Severt, F. T. Miller	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	49	15.00
SENTER — Felix Bare, H. M. Bare, John Reeves	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	79	19 00
SOUTH FORK — J. F. Royal, Ben Weaver	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	2.50

MINUTES

OF THE

Ninety-Eighth Annual Session

OF THE

SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

THE CHURCH AT ROAN'S CREEK

Ashe County, North Carolina

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 9, 1951

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator

W. W. MILLER, Clerk

Proceedings

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1951

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer and praise by Elder Robert R. Booth.

The Introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis.

After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Elder D. P. Broadway.

1st. On motion receive and read letters from all our churches and seat the messengers.

2nd. On motion call for petition letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion organized the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis, moderator and W. W. Miller, clerk.

4th. Call for correspondents from sister associations. The following came forward and were seated.

From St. Clair's Bottom—none.

From Mountain—Elder C. B. Kelby, Elder S. P. Roberts, Bro. G. R. Douglas and Bro. M. A. Jenkins.

From Indian Creek—Elder Robert R. Booth and Elder A. L. Neily.

From Abbotts Creek—Elder D. P. Broadway, Deacon C. B. Owens and Bro. E. F. Yarber.

From Roaring River—Elder C. D. Hall, Bros. Troy Miller and Fasco Pruett.

From Upper Mayo—Minutes.

From Fishers River—Elders G. L. Flippin and J. G. Fulk.

5th. On motion call for transient and visiting brethern from sister associations and the following came forward and were seated.

From St. Clair's Bottom—Elder B. Blevins, Bro. W. P. Johnson and Sister C. R. Dancy.

From Mountain—Bros. Clarance Ward, Green Ward, Alex Smith, Sisters Maxie Kilby, Alice Douglas, Madge Reeves and many others.

From Indian Creek—Elder Eli Lilly, Elder J. I. Bawlin, Elder B. T. Jenkins, Bros. and Sisters Elmer Weaver and wife, Luther Easter and wife, Wint McNeil and wife, Carlie Cox and wife, John Gains and wife, J. H. Lilly and wife, L. D. Meadows, Sisters C. R. Lilly, M. F. Meadows.

From Roaring River—Bro. D. C. Long, Sisters Nora Hall, C. D. Hall, Gladis Miller.

From Abbotts Creek—Bro. R. I. Blevins, Sisters Mae Blevins, C. B. Owens, D. P. Broadway, E. F. Yarbrough, C. N. Grubbs.

From Fishers River—Bros. J. I. Lawson, C. C. Ward and Sister J. G. Fulk.

From New Liberty—Elder Emery Cadle and Elder Keneth Cadle.

From Oak Grove Church—Elder L. J. Martin.

From New Part Church—Elder M. L. Simmons and Bro. W. W. Quinn.

From Upper Mayo—Bro. M. L. Lawson and wife.

From Powells Valley—Minutes.

6th. On motion we seat the correspondent and visiting brethern from sister associations.

7th. On motion the moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

8th. He appointed a committee on ministry as follows: Bros. T. E. Hartzog, Rex Jones, B. R. Dillard, with the messengers of Roans Creek Church.

9th. He appointed a committee on finance as follows: Bros. F. T. Miller, C. N. Davis and P. T. McNeil.

10th. He appointed a committee on arrangements as follows: Elder G. D. Roten, Elder Ed Severt, Bro. B. O. Dolinger, with the moderator and clerk.

11th. He appointed a committee to appoint correspondents to sister associations as follows: :Bros. G. E. Kelby, Fred Weaver and R. L. Speeks.

12th. On motion the committee on arrangements set at Bro. F. T. Millers.

13th On motion we adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9:30 a. m.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1951

1st. The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday and was opened with prayer by Elder E. O. Lilly.

2nd. Call the roll and erase the absentees.

3rd. On motion we omit reading the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

4th. On motion the correspondents who were appointed to sister associations to report and excuse those who failed to go.

5th. Called on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister associations to report. Their report is as follows:

To St. Clairs Bottom—To be held with the Tumblin Creek Church. To begin on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in September, 1951.

Bros. Callie Severt, P. T. McNeil.

To the Mountain—Elder Ed Davis, Bros. F. T. Miller, Fred Weaver, Felix Bare.

To be held with the Union Church 4 miles Southwest of Sparta on Highway 18, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1952.

To Indian Creek—Elders G. D. Roten and Ed Severt. To be held with the church at Egeria in Raleigh County. Leave U. S. 21, 1 mile

South of Flat Top, W. Va. Beginning on Friday before the last Sunday in August, 1952.

To Abbotts Creek—Elder Ed Davis, G. O. Blevins, F. T. Miller. To be held with the Abbotts Creek Church, 15 miles out of Winston towards High Point, just off Highway 109. To begin on Friday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1952.

Upper Mayo—Elder G. D. Roten and Bro. Felix Bare. To be held with the Sandy Level Church, Richmond County, 4 miles North of Ellerbe, on Highway 220, beginning on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in May, 1952.

Fishers River—Elders G. D. Roten, Ed Davis, Lic. P. T. McNeil. To be held with the church at Stoney Creek, on Highway 52 about midway between Mt. Airy and Pilot Mountain, beginning on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in July, 1951.

Roaring River—Bros. Rex Jones, F. T. Miller, R. L. Speeks and Felix Bare. To be held with the church at Cross Roads on Highway 18, 6 miles North from North Wilkesboro, beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1951.

6th. On motion that we continue to correspond with Washington, Ebenezer, Powells Valley associations by Minutes.

7th. That we omit having the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

8th. On motion we appoint the clerk-treasurer to superintend to the printing of these Minutes—to have 1,000 copies printed and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion that the next association be held with the church at Senter, 8 miles Northeast of Jefferson, just off Highway 221, beginning on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in September, 1952, and that Elder G. D. Roten preach the Introductory Sermon.

10th. On motion call on finance committee to report. Their report is as follows:

Carried over from last year	21.00
Received from all the churches	159.55
TOTAL	180.55
Allowed Moderator	15.00
Allowed Clerk	15.00
Allowed for Minutes	50.00
Allowed Correspondents	100.55
TOTAL	180.55
Received at stand on Sunday	65.00

11th. On motion that we return thanks to God for his mercy and to brethern, sisters and kind friends for their kind hospitality during this session and that we adjourn with prayer.

Elder Ed Davs, Moderator.
W. W. Miller, Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis.
Elder L. J. Martin, no special text.
Elder A. L. Meely, 8th chapter of Romans.

Friday Night At Beaver Creek

Elder D. P. Broadway.
Elder M. L. Simmons.

Saturday

Elder Robert Booth. Failed to get text.
Elder G. L. Flippin. Failed to get text.
Elder C. B. Kilby. Failed to get text.
Elder E. O. Lilly, Text: Peter, 1st Chapter, 18th verse.

Afternoon

Elder S. P. Roberts, Text: 7th Chapter, 10th and 11th verses Josh.
Elder Emery Cadle, Text: 32nd Chapter Deut.
Elder M. L. Simmons, no special text.

Sunday

Elder Ed Davis, introduced.
Elder Kenneth Cadle. Failed to get text.
Elder Thomas Jenkins, 5th Chapter, 1st verse, Romans.
Elder J. I. Bowlin, 23 Psalms. 1st verse.

Afternoon

Elder J. G. Fulk, Text: 11th Chapter, 1st verse Heb.
Elder D. P. Broadway. Failed to get text.

Saturday Night At Senter

Elder D. P. Broadway.
Elder M. L. Simmons.

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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches	**Clerks and their P. O.**
Senter—85	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek—60	F. T. Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Bear Creek—35	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.
Beaver Creek—35	P. T. McNeil, West Jefferson, N. C.
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Big Helton—85	B. O. Dolinger, Sturgills, N. C.
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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Associations and No. of Minutes	**Clerks and their P. O.**
St. Clairs Bottom—30	Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain—50	Arthur Gambill, Sparta, N. C.
Indian Creek—30	J. R. Lilly, Hinton, W. Va., Box 136
Fishers River—50	G. J. Keys, Ararat, N. C.

Washington—40 ..... M. C. Southerland, Birchleaf, Va.
Ebenezer—20 ..... O. F. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.
Powells Valley—30 ..... M. V. Browning, Maynardville, Tenn., B-52
Abbots Creek—25 .....T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C.
Roaring River—20 ..... A. T. Whittington, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Upper Mayo—20 . J. W. Morefield, Winston-Salem, N. C. 618 W. 28 St.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR P. O.

Elder Ed Davis ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Leo V. Bagly ..... Crumpler, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Rugby, Va.
Elder Ed Severt ..... Glendale Springs, N. C.
Licentiate P. T. McNeil .....West Jefferson, N. C.

OBITUARIES

A. J. Davis

A. J. Davis, son of Elder C. C. Davis, was born Nov. 28, 1879 and died Nov. 29, 1950. He was married to Lizzie Farmer Davis Feb. 11, 1899. To this union was born one child who died in infancy.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined the church at Pond Mountain, Sat., March 1st, 1902, where he remained a faithful member until death—always filling his place in the church. He was one among our most devoted members. Strong defender of the doctrine of salvation by grace. Our loss is his eternal gain. Sleep on dear one until the Lord awakes you in his likeness.

W. R. Davis

W. R. Davis, son of Elder C. C. Davis, was born May 16, 1875 and died June 26, 1951. He was married to Vena Farmer Davis Feb., 1892. To this union was born 12 children—6 living and 6 dead.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined the church at Pond Mountain Sat., March 1st, 1902 and was later ordained deacon, faithfully discharging his duty till death. He was a strong believer in the doctrine of salvation by grace. Our loss is his eternal gain. Sleep on, dear one, till the Lord awakes you in his blessed likeness.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Sunday of Meeting	Rec'd by Exp. & Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored to Fellowship	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Members	Contribution
Beaver Creek	R. L. Speeks, B. R. Dillard, W. G. Johnson	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	36	20.05
Big Helton	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, Gather Blevins	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	81	35.00
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, Arthur Eldrith, Lee Landrith	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	26	5.00
North Fork	W. W. Miller, J. F. Miller, Marion Roten	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	39	14.00
Pond Mountain ...	Elder Ed Davis, C. N. Davis, Eddie Lyalls	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	68	15.00
River View	Elder G. D. Roten, T. E. Hartzog, Clifford McNeil	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	27	16.00
Roans Creek	F. T. Miller, Fred Weaver, Tom Severt	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	20.00
Senter	Rex Jones, James Walters, W. M. T. Miller	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	80	21.50
South Fork	J. F. Royl, Arthur Douglas, Ben Weaver	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	26	5.00
Bear Creek	Elder Ed Severt, Callie Severt, S. J. Miller	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	27	8.00

MINUTES

OF THE

NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SENTER DISTRICT
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Held With

THE CHURCH AT SENTER,

Ashe County, North Carolina

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

September 12, 13, 14, 1952

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OFFICERS

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator.....Tuckerdale, N. C.
W. W. MILLER, Clerk.....Clifton, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

OF SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1952

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer and praise by Elder B. H. Blevins.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten; text, Heb. 13th chapter, 20th, 21st. verses.

After a short intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Elder C. B. Kilby.

1st. On motion, received and read letters from all our churches and seated the messengers.

2nd. On motion, call for petitionary letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion, organize the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis, moderator, and W. W. Miller, clerk.

4th. Call for correspondents from sister associations. The following came forward and were seated:

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. R. Dancy.

Mountain: Elder Ed Douglas, Elder C. B. Kilby, Elder Steve Roberts, Brother G. R. Douglas.

Indian Creek: Elder Webb Kilby, Elder Edgar Lilley.

Abbotts Creek: Elder Gurnie Nance, Elder D. P. Broadway, Brother Reed Blevins.

Roaring River: Brethren Carl Francis and Fasco Pruett.

Upper Mayo: Elder Ed Priddy.

Fisher's River: Elder J. G. Fulk.

5th. On motion, called for transient and visiting brethren from sister associations. The following came forward and were seated:

From St. Clair's Bottom: Elder B. H. Blevins, Brother W. B. Johnson and wife, Mrs. C. R. Dancy.

From Mountain: Elder C. L. Roberts, Brethren C. G. Fender, Robert Crouse, Tom Reeves, Willie Joins and wife, Mrs. Maxie Kilby, Mrs. Reeves Douglas, Mrs. Alice Douglas, Brethren M. A. Jenkins, Troy Cleary, Robert Cleary, A. C. Choate, Sister Mattie Edwards, Sister Ruby Edwards.

From Indian Creek: Elders E. O. Lilly and Tom Jenkins, Brethren C. R. Cox and wife, F. C. Cadle and wife, Estel Mann, Mrs. Webb Kilby, A. E. Cox, Brother L. L. Cannady, and many others.

From Roading River: Brother D. C. Long.

From Abbotts Creek: Elder Walter C. McMillan, Mrs. D. P. Broadway.

From Upper Mayo: Mrs. Ed Tuddle, Brother Evert Mabe and wife, Ray Hall.

From Fisher's River: Mrs. J. G. Fulk.

From Powells Valley: Minutes.

From No. Creek Church: Brother H. L. Forrest and wife.

6th. On motion, we seat the correspondent and visiting brethren and sisters from sister associations.

7th. On motion, the moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

8th. He appointed a Committee on Ministry as follows: Brethren D. O. Dolinger, Fred Weaver, R. L. Speeks, with the messengers of this church.

9th. He appointed a Committee on Finance as follows: Brethren F. T. Miller, Edwin Hartzog, Elder P. T. McNeil.

10th. He appointed a Committee on Arrangements as follows: Elders G. D. Roten, Ed Severt, Brother G. E. Kilby, with the moderator and clerk.

11th. He appointed a Committee to appoint correspondents to sister associations as follows: Brethren Carl Ball, Felix Bare, F. O. Thompson.

12th. On motion, the Committee on Arrangements sit at Brother Rex Jones.

13th. On motion, we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 13, 1952

1st. The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday and was opened with prayer by Elder E. O. Lilley.

2nd. Call the roll and erased the absentees.

3rd. On motion, we omit reading the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

4th. On motion, the correspondents who were appointed to sister associations to report and excuse those who failed to go.

5th. On motion, call on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister associations to report. Their report is as follows:

St. Clair's Bottom, held with the church at Rush Creek, to begin on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1952—Elders G. D. Roten and P. T. McNeil.

The Mountain, to be held with the church at Cross Roads, at Bay Wood, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1953—Elder Ed Davis, Brethren F. T. Miller, Fred Weaver, Felix Bare.

Indian Creek, to be held with the church at Prinston, W. Va., just out on Oak Vale Road, beginning on Friday before the last Sunday in August, 1953—Elder Ed Davis, Brethren F. T. Miller, Bob Speaks.

Abbotts Creek, to be held with the church at Flat Creek, in Rowan County, two miles south of High Rock, N. C., to begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1953—Elders Ed Severt, P. T. McNeil, G. D. Roten.

Upper Mayo, to be held with the church at Walnut Cove, Stokes County, Walnut Cove, N. C., on Highway 311, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in May, 1953—Elder Ed Severt, Brother F. T. Miller.

Fisher's River, to be held with the church at Hogans Creek, between Mt. Airy and Siloam, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1953—Elders G. D. Roten and Ed Davis, Brother Felix Bare.

Roaring River, to be held with the church at Reddies River, 10 miles north of North Wilksboro, on Old Highway 16, beginning on Friday before

the fourth Sunday in September, 1952—Elder G. D. Roten, Brethren R. L. Speeks, H. M. Bare, Felix Bare.

6th. On motion, that we continue to correspond with Washington, Ebenezer, Powell's Valley Associations by minutes.

7th. That we omit having the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in this minute.

8th. On motion, we appoint the clerk treasurer, and to superintend to the printing of these minutes; and to have 500 copies printed, and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion, the next association be held with the church at Beaver Creek, one and a half miles southwest of West Jefferson, just off Highway 221; that Elder Ed Davis preach the Introductory Sermon, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1953.

10th. On motion, call on Finance Committee to report. Their report is as follows:

Received from all the churches	$167.00	
Allowed the Moderator		$ 15.00
Allowed the Clerk		15.00
Allowed for Minutes		35.00
Allowed Correspondents		52.00
Allowed for lumber		50.00
Total		$167.00
Received at stand Sunday	145.00	

11th. On motion, the minutes be read.

12th. On motion, that we return thanks to God for His mercy and to the brethren, sisters and kind friends for their kind hospitality during this session, and that we adjourn with prayer by the moderator.

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator.

W. W. MILLER, Clerk.

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ORDER OF PREACHING

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten; text, 13th chapter Hebrews, verses, 20, 21.

Friday night, at Beaver Creek—Elder D. P. Broadway; text, "For the grace of God has appeared to all men." Elder Tom Jenkins; no special text.

Friday night, at Senter—Elder W. C. McMillon, Elder G. E. Nance.

Saturday morning—Elders G. E. Nance, Edgar Lilley, C. B. Kilby.

Saturday evening—Elder Coy Roberts; failed to get text. Elder Emory Cadle; text, "My grace is sufficient for thee." C. R. Dancy; text, "Comfort ye, comfort ye my people." Elder Ed Preddy; no special text.

Saturday night, at Senter—Elders Ed Douglas and Steve Roberts.

Saturday night, at Beaver Creek—Elders C. B. D. Taylor, Edgar Lilley.

Sunday morning—Elder A. T. Whittington to introduce, Elder Webb Kilby; text, Rom. third chapter, 30th verse. Elder E. O. Lilley; text, Eph., first chapter, fourth verse. Elder Ed Douglas; failed to get text.

Sunday evening—Elder Steve Roberts; text, St. Peter, third chapter, 13th verse. Elder J. G. Fulk; text, 26th chapter of Isaiah. Elder D. B. Broadway; text, "Now Abideth Faith, Hope and Charity."

Moderator to close.

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ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten, West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Leo V. Bagly, Crumpler, N. C.
Elder Ed Severt, Glendale Springs, N. C.
Elder P. T. McNeil, West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby, Rugby, Va.

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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Church and Number Minutes	Clerks and Post Office
Senter—45	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek—25	F. T. Miller, Laurels Springs, N. C.
Beaver Creek—25	P. T. McNeil, West Jefferson, N. C.
River View—25	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork—25	W. W. Miller, Clifton, N. C.
Pond Mountain—45	C. N. Davis, Whitetop, Va.
Horse Creek—20	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton—60	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
South Fork—20	Jenny Douglas, Piney Creek, N. C.
Bear Creek—20	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.

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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and No. of Minutes	Clerks and their Post Offices
St. Clair's Bottom—15	Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain—25	Arthur Gambill, Sparta, N. C.
Indian Creek—20	J. R. Lilley, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Fishers River—15	G. J. Keys, Ararat, N. C.
Washington—15	M. C. Sutherland, Birchleaf, Va.
Ebenezer—15	O. F. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.
Powell's Valley—20	M. V. Browning, Box 52, Maynardsville, Tenn.
Abbotts Creek—20	T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C.
Roaring River—20	A. T. Whittington, No. Wilksboro, N. C.
Upper Mayo—20	J. W. Moorefield, 618 West 28th St., Winston Salem, N. C.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in the one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the word of God and the only rules of Faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God and shall never finally fall away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We beleive that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe that the only true mode of baptism is by immersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general enjoyment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the impressions of the hand by presbytery.

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OBITUARIES

AMANDA ELDRITH

Amandy Eldrith was born December 19, 1865; died January 17, 1952; age 87 years. She was married to J. H. Eldrith, May 6, 1885; unto this union were born four children: three boys and one girl; one boy preceded her in death. She joined the Primitive Baptist church at the age of 18. She was an active and devoted member all of her life. She served as deaconess fifty years or more. She was the daughter of Elder C. C. Davis.

Her husband, three children, 13 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren, three brothers, four sisters, and a host of friends mourn her passing. The church has lost one of her most devoted members; still our loss is her eternal gain. Sleep on, dear one, till the Lord awakes you in His blessed likeness.—Written by Elder Ed Davis.

MRS. MAUD ADELINE GOSS

Mrs. Maud Adline Goss was born March 26, 1887; died March 12, 1952; the daughter of Elehu and Elizabeth Ham. She was married to Wesley Goss. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Mable Goss Wade, two sisters: Mrs. Lula

Hart, Mrs. Rose Latham, and two nephews to mourn. She was a member of the Horse Creek Primitive Baptist Church; remained a faithful member till death. She was among one of our devoted members; strong believer of the doctrine of Salvation by Grace. Sleep on, dear one, until the Lord awakes you in His likeness.—Mrs. Lula Hart.

MERTY ANN BARE

Merty Ann Bare was born March 1, 1880; departed this life May 27, 1952; age 72 years, 2 months and 12 days. She was married to Hiram Bare, Oct. 17, 1902; and to this union were born 11 children—two preceded her in death. She leaves a husband and nine children—Mrs. Everett Bare, Edgewood, Md.; Lawson Bare, Newport News, Va.; Kilby Bare, North East, Md.; Wilson Bare, Idlewild; Mrs. Vernon Phillips, Oval; Walker Bare, of the home; Glenn Bare, Jefferson; Paul Bare and Burrell Bare, of Crumpler—16 grandchildren, two sisters, and three brothers to mourn her passing. She joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Senter, in September, 1934, and lived a faithul member until death.

She was a good companion and a loving mother, a good neighbor, and loved by all who knew her. Our loss is her eternal gain.

DAVID W. MILLER

David W. Miller was born Sept. 9, 1884; departed this life, Aug. 20, 1952; age 67 years, 11 months and 11 days; the son of Winfield W. and Celia J. Miller. He was married to Bessie Miller, Feb. 17, 1910. To this union were born four children: Ralph Miller, Warrensville, N. C.; Glenn, of West Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Verona Witherspoon, Jefferson; Mrs. Beatrice McNeil, Comet, N. C. He leaves his companion, one brother, W. W. Miller, Clifton; two sisters: Mrs. Berlie Miller, Comet; Mrs. Bertha May, Martinsville, Va.; and nine grandchildren.

He was afflicted for a number of years. All was done that could be, but could not stay the hand of death. His suffering was great, but without a murmur. He received a sweet hope during his sickness, and often said he was ready to go, but hated to leave his family. He was a strong believer in the Primitive Baptist doctrine. There is a vacancy in the home that can never be filled. So, let us look forward to the day when Jesus shall come, and shall speak to the sleeping dead: Arise. Then his body shall be fashioned like the body of our blessed Lord.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Sunday of Meeting	Rec'd by Exp & Bap	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total membership	Contribution
BEAVER CREEK	Elder P. T. McNeil, R. L. Speeks, W. G. Johnson	4							35	$ 17.50
BIG HELTON	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, G. O. Blevins	3						3	78	25.00
BARE CREEK	Elder Ed Severt, Callie Severt, S. J. Miller	1						1	26	10.00
HORSE CREEK	Carl Ball, A. Eldrith, Lee Landreth	4						1	26	12.00
NORTH FORK	F. M. Roten, Ben Roten, W. W. Miller	1						2	37	22.00
RIVER VIEW	Elder G. D. Roten, C. McNeil, T. E. Hartzog	3							27	14.50
ROANS CREEK	Fred Weaver, F. T. Miller, F. O. Thompson	4	3						52	20.00
SENTER	Rex Jones, Felix Bare, H. M. Bare	2	4					1	83	24.50
POND MOUNTAIN	Elder Ed Davis, Eddie Lyalls, C. N. Davis	1						1	67	15.00
SOUTH FORK	Ben Weaver, Lee Weaver, Roy Douglas	1						1	25	5.00
Totals			7					10	456	$165.50

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FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

September 9, 10, 11, 1955

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OFFICERS

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.

G. E. Kilby, Clerk ..... West Jefferson, N. C.

Proceedings

OF SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1955

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer by Elder C. B. Kilby, a correspondent from the Mountain Association.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten; Text: Eighth chapter of St. Luke.

After a short intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Elder Teddie Ball, a correspondent from the Mates Creek Association.

1st. On motion, received and read letters from all our churches, except South Fork, and seated the messengers.

2nd. On motion, called for petitionary letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion, organized the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis as moderator, and G. E. Kilby as clerk.

4th. On motion, called for correspondents from sister Associations. The following came forward and were seated and aided in council.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. R. Dancy and Brother Delmar Heath.

Mates Creek: Elders Teddy Ball and B. B. Justice.

Mountain: Elders C. B. Kilby, Walter Evans and Brother L. E. Carico.

Indian Creek: Elders H. W. Morgan and A. L. Neely.

Roaring River: Elder A. T. Whittington, Brothers Gaither Vanhoy and Fosco Pruitt.

Fisher's River: Elder W. C. Hawks.

Abbots Creek: Elders D. P. Broadway and G. E. Nance and Brothers L. R. Mabe, C. B. Owens, C. A. Ilivengood, R. I. Blevins, and Lonnie Hall.

5th. On motion, called for transient and visiting brethren from sister associations. The following came forward and were seated:

St. Clair's Bottom: Brother R. C. Price and wife and brother C. E. Adams.

Mountain: Brother Lon Mac Reeves and wife, Brother Joseph Abshear, Sisters Lela Crouse, Carrie Edwards, and (Mrs.) Lonnie Carico.

Indian Creek: Elder Ossie Mann and wife, Brother John

Gaines and wife, Elbert Morgan and wife, and Elmer Weaver and wife.

Roaring River: Elder K. A. Anderson and wife.

Fisher's River: Brother M. W. Prevett.

Abbots Creek: Brothers C. O. Yates, J. A. Nance and wife sisters Nancy Broadway, Delia Weaver and Mae Blevins.

Oak Grove Church: Elder L. J. Martin.

Green Ford: Elder O. S. Young.

Pine View Church: Brother E. C. Thompson.

Reid Island Church: Elder F. W. Stockner.

Senter: Brothers Felix Bare, H. M. Bare, Tom Severt, Leonard Perry and wife, Sisters Sessie Poe, Vina Davis, Tiny Barker, Millie Sue Burgess, and Catherine Farrington

6th. On motion, we seat the correspondent and visiting brethren and sisters from their associations.

7th. On motion, we will recognize the churches from New River and Mayo Associations as far as it will not conflict with our correspondents.

8th. On motion, that the moderator make all temporary appointments during this session. He appointed to stand today Elder A. L. Neely, a correspondent from the Indian Creek Association. No special text.

9th. He appointed a committee on ministry as follows: Brothers Fred Weaver, B. O. Dolinger and Rex Jones, with the messengers of this church.

10th. He appointed a committee on finance as follows: Brothers T. E. Hartzog, Carl Ball and Elder P. T. McNeill.

11th. He appointed a committee on arrangements as follows: Elder G. D. Roten, Brothers R. L. Speaks, J. C. McNeill, with the moderator and clerk.

12th. He appointed a committee to appoint correspondents to sister associations as follows: Elder G. D. Roten, Brothers Ed Barker and G. O. Blevins.

13th. On motion, the committee on arrangements set at Elder G. D. Roten.

14th. On motion, we adjourn until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 10, 1955

The Association met persuant to adjournment of yesterday and was called to order with prayer by Elder H. W. Morgan,

a correspondent from the Indian Creek Association.

1st. On motion, called the roll and eraced absentees.

2nd. On motion, we omit reading the constitution and rules of decorium.

3rd. On motion, that the correspondents that were pointed to sister associations last year report. Reports received and excused those who failed to go.

4th. On motion, called on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister associations to report. Their report is as follows:

To the St. Clairs Bottom, to be held at Tumbling Creek church, 7 miles North West of Saltville, Virginia, and to begin on Friday before the third Sunday in September 1955. Elder W. E. Hester, Brothers Gaither Johnson and H. M. Bare.

To the Mates Creek, to be held with the Calvery church at Kemper, Kentucky, and to begin on Friday before the first Sunday in September 1956. Go by Abingdon, Virginia on to Grundy and take Highway No. 460 to Nigh, Kentucky. Elder G. D. Roten, Brothers Callie Severt and Ed Barker.

To the Mountain, to be held with the Church at Peach Bottom, one mile North of Independence, Grayson County, Virginia on Highway No. 21 and to begin on Friday before the first Sunday in September 1956. Elder Ed Davis and Brothers Ed Barker and G. E. Kilby.

To the Fisher's River, to be held with the Mulberry church, Surry County, North Carolina, seven miles West of Dobson on Zephry and Elkin highway and to begin on Friday before the second Sunday in July 1956. Elders W. E. Hester and Ed Severt and Brother Earl Severt.

To the Roaring River, to be held with the church at Mulberry, Wilkes County, North Carolina, ten miles North of North Wilkesboro, on Highway No. 18 and to begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September 1955. Elders Ed Severt, P. T. McNeill and Brother R. L. Speaks.

To the Indian Creek, to be held with the church at Roncevent, two miles South of Roncevert, West Virginia on Highway No. 219 and to begin on Friday before the last Sunday in August 1956. Elder G. D. Roten and Brothers Callie Severt and Ed Barker.

To the Abbotts Creek, to be held with the Flat Creek church in Roan County, North Carolina, twenty miles from Salisbury and 2 1-2 miles from High Rock Dam and to begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August 1956, Elder Ed Davis and Brothers G. O. Blevins and Rex Jones.

5th. On motion that we continue to correspond with the Eboneezer, Powells Valley and Washington Associations by minutes.

6th. On motion that we omit printing the constitution and rules of decorium in this minute.

7th. On motion, we appoint the clerk as treasurer and to superintend the printing of these minutes and to have 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

8th. On motion that the next session of this Association be held with the church at North Fork, three miles West of Warrensville, North Carolina and to begin on Friday before the second Sunday in September 1956 and that Elder Ed Davis preach the introductory sermon and that Elder W. E. Hester be his alternate.

9th. On motion that the finance committee report. Their report is as follows:

Received from all our churches	$150.25
Allowed the Moderator	15.00
Allowed the Clerk	15.00
Allowed for printing minutes and postage	35.00
Allowed the correspondents	85.25
	$150.25

Given at stand on Sunday by brothers, sister and friends for corresponding and visiting Elders $85.00.

10th. On motion, read the minute. Minute read and approved.

11th. On motion, that we print the obituaries of Brothers Callie Davis, George Bare and Ben Miller in these minutes. That we authorize the clerk to shorten them on account of the cost of printing.

12th. On motion, that we return thanks first to God for his mercy and to the brethren, sisters and kind friends for their kind hospitality during this session and that we adjourn with prayer by the Moderator.

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator
G. E. Kilby, Clerk

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ORDER OF PREACHING

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten. Text: The eighth chapter of St. Luke.

After the work of the Association Elder A. L. Neely to preach. No special text.

To preach at Beaver Creek church Friday night — Elder Teddie Ball and Elder D. P. Broadway.

Saturday Morning: 1st. Elder Jack Martin, didn't get text. 2nd. Elder Teddie Ball, didn't get text: 3rd. Elder Kelly Anderson, didn't get text: 4th. Elder Joel Simmons, didn't get text: 5th. Elder D. P. Broadway, text: Galations 6th chapter, 7th. and 8th. verses — He that soweth to the flesh, etc.

For Saturday night at Beaver Creek church: 1st. Elder

W. C. Hawks, text: Go ye into all the world, etc.; 2nd. Elder G. E. Nance, text: Now abideth faith, hope and charity, etc.; 3rd. Elder F. W. Stockner, no special text. 4th. Elder C. R. Dancy, no special text.

For Sunday Morning — to introduce Elder Allen Whittington.

1st. Elder H. W. Morgan — text 32nd chapter of Deuteronomy 9th. verse.

2nd. Elder O. S. Young — text: 2nd chapter of Ephesians 1st to 10th verse.

3rd. Elder J. G. Fulk — text: The time is coming and now is, etc.

For Sunday Evening:

1st. Elder C. R. Dancy — text: 1st chapter of St. Luke 77 to 78 verses .

2nd. Elder Walter Evans — text: the 48th chapter of Isiah 6th verse.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Ed Severt ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.
Elder P. T. McNeill ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Peach Bottom, Pa.
Elder W. E. Hester ..... Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and number of minutes — Clerks and their addresses
Senter — 60 ..... Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek — 20 ..... F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.
Beaver Creek — 30 ..... G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.
River View — 25 ..... T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork — 40 ..... W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 50 ..... Eddie Lyals, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Horse Creek — 20 ..... Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton — 60 ..... B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
Bare Creek — 20 ..... S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.
South Fork — 15 ..... Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and number of minutes — Clerks & their addresses
St. Clair's Bottom — 15 .... Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain — 25 ..... Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mates Creek — 20 ..... Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Fishers River — 20 ..... O. W. Sisk, King, N. C.
Washington — 15 ..... Hermon Kiser, Cleveland, Virginia
Eboneezer — 10 ..... W. C. Wynham, Brightwood, Virginia
Powells Valley — 15 ..... M. V. Browning, Box 52
Maynardsville, Tennessee
Roaring River — 20 ..... A. T. Whittington,
North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Indian Creek — 20 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136,
Hinton, West Virginia

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our sister churches and to the peace-loving Baptist of our faith and order to commune with us at the following times and churches:

Bare Creek	1st. Sunday in May
Senter	2nd. Sunday in June
River View	3rd. Sunday in June
South Fork	4th. Sunday in June
North Fork	1st. Sunday in July
Big Helton	3rd. Sunday in July
Horse Creek	4th. Sunday in July
Roans Creek	4th. Sunday in July
Pond Mountain	1st. Sunday in August
Beaver Creek	3rd. Sunday in August

Obituaries

GEORGE BARE

George Bare was born July 29, 1872. His stay here on earth was 82 years and 11 months. He was married to Rebecca Miller in 1893 and to this union was born seven children. Two proceeded him in death, Georgia Mae and Darius Bare. Other children are Bryant, Worth, Tam, and Robert Bare and Mrs. Carl Ball, nineteen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. His faith was the Primitive Baptist and he talked many times of joining the church. He leaves a host of relatives and friends to morn his passing. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

CALVIN NEWTON DAVIS

Calvin Newton Davis was born September 3, 1881, departed this life March 9, 1955, making his stay on earth 73 years, 5 months, 16 days. He was married to Laura Jan Cox, September 1902, to this union was born the following children: Mrs. Nora Hurley, Joe W. Davis, Mrs. Marie Hurley, Ray Davis, deceased; Bill Davis, Woodrow Davis, Mrs. Ruth Little, Mrs. Dillie Miller, Mrs. Geneva Absher, Paul Davis. He is also survived by 18 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren; a brother, Elder Ed Davis, 4 sisters, Mrs. Frances Ham, Mrs. Dema Farmer, Mrs. Ida Roop and Mrs. Ale Phillips.

He joined Pond Mountain Primitive Baptist church in 1903 and later was ordained as Deacon and church Clerk where he served several years, being a devoted member, always bearing his part of the burden, finishing his course with joy. He fought a good fight and kept the faith. The church has lost a good member, the community a good neighbor, the wife a devoted husband and the children a loving father, but our loss is his eternal gain.

BEN C. MILLER

Ben C. Miller was born Jan. 7, 1887 and departed this life Friday, Nov. 5, 1954, making his stay on earth 67 years, 9 months and 28 days.

He was the son of the late F. M. and Martha Jane Miller.

He was married to Katie Alma Eller on February 10, 1905. To this union were born 5 children, Frances Lee Jones, Henry Paul Miller, Lester Vance Miller, Vesta Berniece Eller, Jessie Kate Aberts. His first wife preceeded him in death Nov. 26, 1925.

On July 3, 1927 he was united in marriage to Ella Amanda Burkett. To this union were born three children, Ben Burkett Miller, Marion Hal Miller and Mary Jane Miller. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Bessie Miller.

He leaves to mourn his passing a kind and loving wife, 8 children, 10 grand children, 1 great grandchild, 1 sister, 2 nieces, 2 nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at North Fork Primitive Baptist church, Sunday evening, November 7. Elders Ed Davis and G. D. Roten and Rev. Carol Burkett conducted the service.

He received a hope in Christ and united with North Fork Primitive Baptist church on the second Saturday in September 1920 and remained a faithful member until death. He was afflicted from childhood but bore his afflictions with patience, always looking to Jesus the author and finisher of his faith.

When Christ comes the second time without sin unto salvation to gather his people home, the grave that holds him now, will hold him no longer. He will rise up with all the redeemed family of God. Those that are alive and remain on earth shall not hinder them that sleep.

Written by loved ones.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Address of Clerks	Names of Messengers	Ordained Elders	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Sat. of Ch. Meeting	Total Membership	Contribution
Senter	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.	Rex Jones, James Walters, John Woodruff								1	2	83	$ 13.00
South Fork	Ben Weaver, Box 53, Piney Creek, N. C.	Ben Weaver, Lee Weaver, Jennie Miller						5		2	4	22	5.00
Big Helton	B. O. Dolinegr, Lansing, N. C.	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, R. J. Blevins	1							2	3	73	25.00
Beaver Creek	G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.	George Miller, Elder P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks	1							1	4	33	14.50
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.	Carl Ball, Millard Davis, Arthur Eldreth								1	4	24	10.25
Pond Mountain	Eddie Lyal, Tuckerdale, N. C.	Elder Ed Davis, G. C. Eldreth, Eddie Lyal	1		1					1	1	66	17.00
North Fork	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.	W. W. Miller, Marion Roten, Ben Roten								1	1	35	24.00
River View	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.	T. E. Hartzog, Elder G. D. Roten, J. C. McNeill	1								3	25	20.00
Roans Creek	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.	Fred Weaver, F. T. Miller, F. O. Thompson									4	55	9.50
Bare Creek	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C. Earl Severt, Asst. Clerk	Elder Ed Severt, Earl Severt, Sam Miller	2	1	1						1	29	20.00
Total			6	1	2			5		9		445	$158.25

MINUTES

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SENTER DISTRICT

Primitive Baptist Association

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Held With

NORTH FORK CHURCH

Ashe County, North Carolina

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

September 7, 8, 9, 1956

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OFFICERS

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.

G. E. Kilby, Clerk ..... West Jefferson, N. C.

Proceedings

OF SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1956

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer by Elder C. B. Kilby, a correspondent from the Mountain Association

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis; Text: Fourth chapter of Second Timothy.

After a short intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Elder Frank Wheeler, a correspondent form the Mates Creek Association.

1st. On motion, received and read letters from all our churches and seated the messengers.

2nd. On motion, called for petitionary letters, Received none.

3rd. On motion, organized the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis as moderator, and G. E. Kilby as clerk.

4th. On motion, called for correspondents from sister Associations. The following came forward, were seated — given the right hand of welcome and aided in council.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. N. Tilson, Brothers F. O. Sanders, W. B. Johnson and Delmar Heath.

Mates Creek: Elders Teddie Ball and Frank Wheeler.

Mountain: Elder C. B. Kilby, Brothers Raymon Nichols, John Paisley and Harvey Stamper.

Indian Creek: Elders Owen D. Harvey and Henry Smith.

Roaring River: Brother Fosco Pruitt.

Fisher's River: Elder W. C. Hawks.

Abbots Creek: Elder Gurney Nance and Brother L. R Mabe.

5th. On motion: called for transient and visiting brethren. The following came forward and were seated.

St. Clair's Bottom: Brothers John Sanders and wife, Lester Johnson and wife, W. M. Pucket and C. E. Adams.

Mates Creek: Brother Andy Dotson and wife, Sisters Fannie Ball, Mary Wheeler and Dollie Ball.

Mountain: Elder A. C. Walker, Brothers Willie Joines J. I. Paisley, Robert Cleary, Sisters (Mrs.) Harvey Stamper, Stella Wilson and Blanche Mabe.

Indian Creek: Brothers Wayne Harvey, J. L. Davis, Luther Eastridge and wife, Elbert Morgan and wife, Webster Morgan and wife, Sisters Nellie Harvey and Ola Smith.

Roaring River: Elder C. D. Hall and wife. Brother Falo Whittington.

Fishers River: Brothers T. M. Simpson and F. C. Mosley.

Abbotts Creek: Elder C. E. Pickard and Brother J. Langford.

Green Ford Church: Elder O. S. Young.

United Primitive Church of Virginia: Brother E. O. Thompson.

Twin Creek of Kentucky: Elder W. A. Crow.

Little Vine of Kentucky: Brothers C. L. Davis and C. H. Davis and wife.

6th. On motion, that we seat the corresponding and visiting brethren and sisters from their associations.

7th. On motion, that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this session. He appointed Elder Owen D. Harvey to the stand today. His text; 12th. chapter and 6th and 7th verses of Ecclesiastes.

8th. He appointed a committee on the ministry as follows: Brothers J. C. McNeil, B. O. Dolinger and Rex Jones, with the messengers of this church.

9th. He appointed a committee on finance as follows: Elder P. T. McNeill. Brothers T. E. Hartzog and F. T. Miller.

10th. He appointed a committee on arrangements as follows: Elders G. D. Roten, W. E. Hester, Brothers R. J. Blevins, H. M. Bare and W. W. Miller with the Moderator and clerk.

11th. He appointed a committee to appoint correspondents to sister associations as follows: Elder W. E. Hester, Brothers R. L. Speaks and Ed Barker.

12th. On motion, that the committee on arrangements set at Brother W. W. Miller.

13th. On motion, that we adjourn until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1956

The Association met persuant to adjournment of yesterday and was called to order with prayer by Elder C. N. Tilson, a correspondent from St. Clairs Bottom Association.

1st. On motion, called the roll and eraced absentees.

2nd. On motion, that we omit reading the constitution and rules of decorium.

3rd. On motion, that the correspondents that were appointed to sister associations last year report. Reports received and excused those who failed to go.

4th. On motion, called on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister associations to report. Their reports is as follows:

St. Clair's Bottom, to be held with the church at Troutdale, Virginia on September 14, 15 and 16, 1956. Brothers G. E. Kilby, Callie Severt and H. M. Bare.

To the Mates Creek, to be held with the church at Johns Creek, Kemper Kentucky, and to begin on Friday before the first Sunday in September of 1957. Go by Abingdon, Virginia on to Grundy and take Highway No. 460 to Nigh, Kentucky. Elders W. E. Hester, Ed Severt, and Brother Earl Severt.

To the Mountain, to be held with the church at Galax, Virginia and to begin on Friday before the first Sunday in September 1957. Elders G. D. Roten, P. T. McNeill and Brother Rex Jones.

To the Fishers River, to be held with the Union Church, on Highway from White Plains to Level Cross on Highway from Elkin to Pilot Mountain. Just 2 miles North of Level

Cross. To begin on Friday before the second Sunday in July 1957. Elder Ed Davis, Brothers F. T. Miller and Eddie Lyals.

To the Roaring River, to be held with the Church at Meadow Fork on September 21, 22 and 23, 1956. Brothers Ed Barker, G. E. Kilby and R. L. Speaks.

To the Indian Creek, to be held with the Church at Sand Lick in Webster County, West Virginia and to begin the last Friday in August 1957. Go by Wytheville to Pulaski thence to Rich Creek to Peterstown, turn left on Rt 12 to Hinton, then Rt. 20 to Meadow Bridge, then to Danese, then to Lookout, then to Summerville, then Rt. 41 to Craigsville, then Rt. 20 to Webster Springs, then Rt. 20 to Diana, then to Sand Lick Church. Elder Ed Severt, Brothers G. L. Mash and J. C. McNeil.

To the Abbotts Creek to be held with the Sandy Creek Church six miles from Liberty toward Asheboro, between highway 49 and 49A. To begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August 1957. Elder G. D. Roten, Brothers R. L. Speaks and Lester Johnson.

5th. On Motion, that we continue to correspond with the Ebenezer, Powells Valley and Washington Associations by minutes.

6th. On motion, that we omit printing the constitution and rules of decorium in this minute.

7th. On motion, that we give the churches in this association 12 months to consider whether we seat visitors from independent churches in our Association and to report to our next Association.

8th. On motion, that we appoint the clerk as treasurer and to superintend the printing of these minutes and to have 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion, that the next session of this Association be held with the church of Bare Creek, at Glendale Springs, Ashe County, North Carolina, about 11 miles from West Jefferson and 18 from North Wilkesboro. To begin on Friday before the second Sunday in September 1957. Elder Ed Davis to preach the introductory sermon and Eld. G. D. Roten to be the alternate.

10th. On motion, that we print the obituary of Sister Rebecca Ennis Bare in these minutes.

11th. On motion, that the finance committee report. Their report is as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 5.00
Received from all our churches	166.00
Totals	$171.00
Allowed the Moderator	$ 15.00
Allowed the Clerk	15.00
Allowed for printing minutes and postage	$ 40.00
Postage	$ 40.00
Allowed the Correspondents	101.00
Totals	$171.00

Given at stand on Sunday by Brethern
Sisters and friends for corresponding and visiting
Elders $ 79.73

12th. On motion, that the minute be read. Minute read and approved

13th. On motion, that we extend our thanks, first to God, and to the brethren, sisters and friends for taking care of the Association and that we close with prayer by the Moderator.

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator
G. E. Kilby, Clerk

We had a wonderful and peaceful association for which we are thankful. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis. Text: Second Timothy and fourth chapter.

For Friday at stand, Elder Owen D. Harvey. Text: 12th. chapter of Ecclesiastes 6th. and 7th. verses.

For Friday night at North Fork Church. 1st Elder Teddie Ball, no special text. 2nd. Elder Frank Wheeler, no special text.

For Saturday at stand; 1st. Elder Henry Smith. Didn't get text. 2nd. Elder C. B. Kilby. Text: Amos 3rd chapter, verses 1 and 2. 3rd. Elder C. N. Tilson. Text: Isaiah 40th. chapter and 11th. verse.

For Saturday afternoon: 1st. Elder Teddie Ball. Text: First chapter of Ephesians and 1st. verse. 2nd. Elder Frank Wheeler. Text: 15th. chapter of 1st. Corinthians, 47th. verse.

For Saturday night at North Fork: 1st. Elder G. E. Nance. Text: First chapter of St. Luke and 37th. verse. 2nd. Elder C. E. Pickerd. Didn't get text.

For Saturday night at Senter: 1st. Elder Henry Smith. Didn't get text. 2nd. Elder Owen D. Harvey. Didn't get text.

For Saturday night at Beaver Creek: 1st. Elder O. S. Young. Text: Happy art thou, Oh Israel, ets. 2nd. Elder Frank Wheeler. Text: Ephesians the 5th. chapter and verses 25 and 26.

For Sunday morning: To introduce, Elder C. E. Pickerd. 1st. Elder Coy Walker. Text: 11th. chapter of the Acts of the Apostles and 7th. verse. 2nd. Elder W C. Hawks. Text: "What Manner of man is this," etc. 3rd. Elder W. A. Crow. Text: "Wisdom hath builded her house," etc.

For Sunday afternoon: 1st. Elder G. E. Nance, Text: Behold what manner of love is this, etc. 2nd. Elder C. D. Hall; Text: St. Luke, chapter 16 and verse 2. 3rd. Elder O. S. Young. Text: Second Timothy, first chapter and verses 7-10.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Ed Severt ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.
Elder P. T. McNeill ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Peach Bottom, Pa.
Elder W. E. Hester ..... Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, N. C.

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North Fork — 40	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 50	Eddie Lyalls, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Horse Creek —20	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton —60	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
Bare Creek — 20	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.
	Ass't. Clerk, Earl W. Severt, Rt. 2 West Jefferson, N. C.
South Fork — 15	Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and number of minutes	Clerks & their addresses
St. Clair's Bottom — 15	Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain — 25	Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mates Creek — 20	Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Fishers River — 20	O. W. Sisk, King, N. C.
Washington — 15	Hermon Kiser, Cleveland, Va.
Eboneezer — 10	W. C. Wynham, Brightwood, Va.
Powells Valley — 15	M. V. Browning, Box 52 Maynardsville, Tennessee
Roaring River — 20	Elder A. T. Whittington North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Indian Creek — 20	J. R. Lilly, Box 136 Hinton, West Virginia

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Obituary Of

REBECCA ENNIS MILLER BARE

Rebecca Ennis Miller Bare was born January 6, 1877 and died September 4, 1956 making her stay here 79 years, 7 months and 29 days.

She was married to George W. Bare on April 9, 1893, who preceeded her in death. To this union were born 7 children, two of which preceeded her to the grave. She is survived by 5 children — Rob and Tam Bare of Idlewild, Bryant of Oxford, Pennsylvania, Worth of Nottingham, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Carl Ball of West Jefferson, N. C. 14 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, 1 sister, 2 brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

She joined the River View Primitive Baptist Church at an early age and remained faithful. She bore her suffering with patience and was anxious to die and go home where she would be free from suffering. She was a good wife and mother, a good friend and neighbor, every ready to lend a helping hand. She was loved by all who knew her and will be missed by all.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerks & Addresses	Names of Messengers	Communion Month	Ordained Elders	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Sat. of Ch. Meeting	Total Membership	Contribution
Senter	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.	H. M. Bare, Rex Jones, Jess Dickson	June								2	2	81	$ 16.00
South Fork	Ben Weaver, Box 53 Piney Creek, N. C.	Bean Weaver, Lee Weaver	July						1			2	21	8.00
Big Helton	B. O Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, R. J. Blevins	July	1								3	73	25.00
Beaver Creek	G. A. Miller West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks, Gaither Johnson	Aug.	1							1	4	32	17.50
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.	Carl Ball, Lee Landreth Arthur Eldreth	July								1	4	25	7.00
Pond Mtn.	Eddie Lyal, Tuckerdale, N. C.	Eld Ed Davis, Eddie Lyal, G .C. Eldreth	Aug.	1								1	66	16.00
North Fork	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.	W. W. Miller, L. V. Johnson, Marion Roten	July									1	35	25.00
River View	T. E. Hartzog Idlewild, N. C.	Eld. G. D. Roten, T. E. Hartzog, J. C. McNeil	June	1								3	25	15.00
Roans Creek	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.	Fred Weaver, F. O. Thompson. F T. Miller	July								1	4	51	13.50
Bare Creek	S. J. Miller, Wagoner; Earl Severt, Ass't. Clerk	Eld. W. E. Hester, Callie Severt, Earl Severt	May	2						1		1	28	18.00
Total				6					1	1	5		437	$161.00

MINUTES

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Senter District

Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

BARE CREEK CHURCH

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

September 6th, 7th, and 8th, 1957

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OFFICERS

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.

ELDER P. T. McNEILL, Clerk ..... West Jefferson, N. C.

BRO. G. E. KILBY, Asst. Clerk .... West Jefferson, N. C.

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Next Association To Be Held With Senter Church, Beginning On Friday, Before The Second Sunday In September, 1958

Proceedings

Of The Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Friday, September 6th, 1957

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order by prayer by Eld. H. M. Blevins, a correspondent from St. Clairs Bottom Association.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Eld. Ed Davis; Text Isaiah 45 Chapter, Verse 17.

After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by prayer by Eld. Henry Smith, a Correspondent from the Indian Creek Assn.

1st. On motion, read letters from all our Churches, except South Fork, and seated the messengers

2nd. On motion, called for Petitionary letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion, organized the Association by electing Eld. Ed. Davis as Moderator and Eld. P. T. McNeill as Clerk.

Brother G. E. Kilby, Assistant Clerk

4th. Called for Correspondents from sister Association; The following came forward, were seated, given the right hand of welcome, and aided us in counsel:

Mountain Association — Brother Lon M. Reeves, Elder C. B. Kilby, Elder R M. Joines.

St. Clair's Bottom — Brother R. P. Price, Elder Hugh Blevins, Brother W. B. Johnson.

Indian Creek — Brother Henry Smith, Elder Frank Lilly.

Mates Creek — Elder Dan Adkins, Elder J. H. Blackburn.

Roaring River — Sister Hester, Brother Foscoe Pruitt.

Fisher River — Brother J. D. Lawson

Abbott's Creek — On motion, a motion made to drop Abbott's Creek from Correspondence, but our door is still open when the trouble is removed.

5th On motion, called for Transienl and visiting Brethern.

Indian Creek — Brother Elbert Morgan and wife, Sister Rilda Massey, Sister Charlotte Lilly.

St. Clair's Bottom — Sister R. C. Price

Mountain — Elder A. C. Walker, Brother John Watson, Brother Reeves Douglas, Brother Robert Clary, Brother Willie Joines, Brother Con Reeves, Sister Joines, Sister Madge Reeves and Lila Crouse, Sister Rose Linsay, Brother Joseph Absher and Brother Troy Clary.

Indian Creek — Brother John Gains, Sister Ora Smith, Brother Lester Davis, Brother Wint McNeill and wife, Brother Luther Eastridge and wife.

Roaring River — Brother C. S. Whittington, Elder C. D. Hall.

Fishers River — Elder Gray Fulk, Brother Curtis Harbor and wife.

Little Vine Church — Brother C. H. Davis.

State Line Church — Elder Joel Simmons and wife.

United Church of Virginia — Brother J. W. Harmon, Brother Roy Sweeney and wife.

Mates Creek — Sister J. W. Blackburn.

6th. On Motion, seated the correspondents and visitors from sister association.

7th. On motion, the moderator to make all temporary appointments during the session.

8th. Committee on the Ministry — Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother J. C. McNeill, Brother Fred Weaver with the messengers from this church to serve on the committee.

9th. Committee on Finance — Brother T. E. Hartzog, Brother W. W. Miller, Brother Earl Severt.

10th. Committee on Arrangments — Elder G. D. Roten, Elder W. E. Hester, Elder Ed Severt, Brother G. O. Blevins, Brother Rex Jones.

11. Committee on Correspondents — Brother R. L. Speaks, Brother Tom Severt, Brother H. M. Bare.

12. On motion, committee on arrangements to sit at Elder G. D. Roten's.

Moderator appointed Elder Stockner, and Elder Coy Walker to preach at Beaver Creek tonight, at 8:00 p. m.

13. On motion, adjourned till Saturday, September 7, at 9:30 a. m. tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1957

The association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, and was called to order with prayer by Elder C. B. Kilby, a correspondent from the Mountain Association.

1st. On motion, called the roll and erased absentees.

2nd. On motion, omitted reading Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

3rd. On motion, that the correspondents that were appointed to sister associations last year report — report received and excused those who failed to go.

4th. On motion, called on committee that met to appoint correspondents to sister association to report; their report is as follows:

To St. Clair's Bottom to be held with Hopkins View Church, 5 miles south of Marion, Va. Beginning September 19. 20, 21, 1958, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Clifford McNeill, Elder Wiley Hester.

The Indian Creek Association, to begin on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday before the last Sunday in August, 1958, to be held with the Pipestem Church at Pipestem, West Virginia, on Highway 20 between Hinton and Princeton, West Virginia. Elder Ed Davis, Brother Tom Severt, and Brother F. T. Miller.

Mates Creek Association, Kentucky, to begin on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1958.

Elder Ed Severt, Brother Fred Weaver and Brother G. L. Mash.

Mountain District Association — to be held with Little River church in Sparta. North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the First Sunday in September, 1958. Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother Rex Jones and Brother Ed Barker.

Roaring River Association — To begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1958. Brother Tom Severt,

Brother Lester Johnson and Brother R. L. Speaks.

Fishers River Association — to begin on Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1958, to be held with Little Vine church, 1 mile west of Dobson, N. C. Elder Ed Davis, Brother Tom Severt and Brother F. T. Miller.

5th. On motion, that we continue to correspond with the Ebenezer, Powell's Valley and Washington Associations by minutes.

6th. On motion, that we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these minutes.

7th. On motion, that we pass up this matter for another year, of the 7th item of the last minutes.

8th. On motion, we appoint the Clerk as Treasurer and to superintend the printing of those minutes and to have five hundred copies printed and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion, that the next session of this association be held with the church at Senter, just off of Highway 88, about eight miles S. E. of Jefferson, North Carolina, to begin on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1958. Elder G. D. Roten to preach the introductory sermon, and that Elder Wiley Hester be the alternate.

10th. On motion, that we publish in the minutes the obituaries of Sister Martha Elizabeth Bare, Sister Ida Belle Severt McNeill, and Brother John Quincy McNeill.

11th. On motion, that the finance committee report.

Their report is as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 23.00
Received from all our churches	173.25
Total	$196.25
Allowed the Moderator	$ 15.00
Allowed the Clerk	15.00
Allowed for printing the minutes and postage	50.00
Allowed the correspondents	116.25
Total	$196.25

Given at stand on Sunday by Brethren, Sisters, and friends for corresponding and visiting elders $76.00.

12th. On motion, that the minutes be read. Minutes read and approved.

13th. On motion, we adjourned with prayer by Elder G. D. Roten until the next association. We extend our thanks first to God, and second to the Brethren, Sisters and friends for taking care of the association.

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator
Elder P. T. McNeill, Clerk

Thus closed another association whose theme was Salvation by Grace, in which love, peace, and fellowship abounded. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis. Text: Isaiah 45-17.

Friday night at Beaver Creek: 1. prayer by Elder Smith. 2. Elder Henry Stockner. 3. Elder Coy Walker, Deuteronomy

32-2 — My doctrine shall drop as the rain, etc. 4. Elder Joel Simmons.

Saturday, A M., September 7, 1957, at Stand: 1. Elder Frank Lilly, Hebrews, Chapter 8, verses 8, 9, and 10. 2. Elder Dan Adkins, Subject: Except the Lord build a house, etc. 3. Elder Stockner, no special text.

At Stand, Saturday afternoon: 1st. Elder Coy Walker, 2. Elder Hugh Blevins. 3. Elder Joel Simmons, Subject: God's Love.

Saturday night, September 7, at Riverview church: 1. Elder J. H. Blackburn. 2. Elder Dan Adkins.

Saturday night, at Beaver Creek church: 1. Elder Hugh Blevins. 2. Elder Stockner.

Sunday, September 8, 1957, at Stand: 1. Elder Raleigh Joines, to introduce; 2. Elder Smith. 3. Elder C. D. Hall, Proverbs 9-1; 4. Elder J. H. Blackburn, Subject: To preach Christ; Elder Dan Adkins, Subject: Salvation by Grace.

Sunday afternoon, at Stand: 1. Elder C. B. Kilby, Hebrews 3-6; 2. Elder Gray Fulk, Isaiah 40-1.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis	Tuckerdale, North Carolina
Elder W. E. Hester	Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Elder Blair Kilby	Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania
Elder P. T. McNeill	West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder G. D. Roten	West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder Ed Severt	Laurel Springs, North Carolina

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and number of minutes	Clerks and their addresses
Senter — 60	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek — 25	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.
Beaver Creek — 20	G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.
Riverview — 25	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork — 40	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 50	Eddie Lyalls, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Horse Creek — 20	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton — 60	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
Bare Creek — 25	Earl W. Severt, Rt. 2, West Jefferson, N. C.
South Fork — 25	Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and number of minutes	Clerks and their addresses
St. Clair's Bottom — 15	Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain — 25	Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mates Creek — 20	Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Fishers River — 20	O. W. Sisk, King, N. C.
Washington — 15	Herman Kiser, Cleveland, Va.
Ebeneezer — 10	W. C. Wynham, Brightwood, Va.

Powells Valley — 15

Roaring River — 20

Indian Creek — 20

M. V. Browning, Box 52, Maynardsville, Tennessee
Elder A. T. Whittington North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, West Virginia

Obituaries

MARTHA ELIZABETH BARE

Martha Elizabeth Bare was born January 8, 1876. Departed this life March 18, 1957, making her stay on earth 81 years, 2 months and 10 days.

She was united in marriage to Harrison Bare March 19, 1897. To this union was born 13 children. Her husband and 4 children preceeded her in death. Surviving are 9 children, 39 grandchildren and 43 great grandchildren.

She professed faith in Christ and joined the Riverview Primitive Baptist church October 9, 1905 and was baptised by Elder Cal Davis and remained a faithful member until death. The church has lost a faithful member, her children have lost a good mother, her brother and sisters a good sister. She is sadly missed by all, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by her daughters,
Mrs. Bessie McNeill, Mrs. Jennie Faye Tomlinson.

IDA BELLE SEVERT McNEILL

Ida Belle Severt McNeill was born June 18, 1869 and departed this life October 3, 1955, making her stay on earth 86 years, 3 months and 15 days.

She was married to John McNeill September 18, 1892. To this union was born 9 children. She is survived by six children, two brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Rachel Cave, Troutdale, Va.; Tom McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Clint McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Mary Phillips, West Jefferson, N. C.; Glenn McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Effie South, West Jefferson, N. C.

She was preceeded in death by two sons, Hoy and Hamp and a daughter, Clyde.

Also surviving are 33 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren; two brothers, Wiley and Lum Severt; two sisters, Virginia Severt and Carrie Miller.

She professed faith in Christ 40 years ago and joined Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist church of which she remained a faithful member. She attended the services of the church regular until her health prevented it.

She was known as a good neighbor and was loved by everyone. She was known as a good mother of which her children can recall the good things she did for them.

She will be missed by her family and many friends, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

"Only one life, it will soon be past, only the things done for God will last,"

"Therefore, may we so live and work each day, that when our race on earth is run and the day of life is done that there will be no vain regrets."

JOHN QUINCY McNEILL

John Quincy McNeill was born September 18, 1871 and departed this life December 31, 1956, making his stay on earth 85 years, 3 months and 13 days.

He was married to Ida Belle Severt September 18, 1892 To this union was born 9 children. He is survived by six children.

Mrs. Rachel Cave, Troutdale, Va.; Tom McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Clint McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Mary Phillips, West Jefferson, N. C.; Glenn McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Effie South, West Jefferson, N. C.

He was preceeded in death by his wife October 3, 1955, also two sons, Hoy and Hamp and a daughter, Clyde.

He is also survived by 33 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

He professed faith in Christ and joined Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist church of which he remained a faithful member. He attended the services of the church regular until his health prevented it.

He was a good neighbor and was loved by everyone. He was known as a good father of which his children can recall the good things he did for them.

He will be missed by his family and many friends, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Only one life, it will soon be past, only the things done for God will last;

Therefore, may we so live and work each day, that when our race on earth is run and the day of life is done that there will be no vain regrets.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failings or imperfections; but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself

from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation but the title of Brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any members who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek and Big Helton, and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new association, met by their respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter church, 21st October, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead, since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any classical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the Union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular Decorum.

5. The Association shall have a moderator and clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any Sister Association, upon application by letter and Delegates, shall be admitted into our Union.

7. Every church in the Union shall be entitled to represen-

tation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented in the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the number of the proceedings; the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the Discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general Union of Churches; to endeavor to preserve a change of communion among the churches; to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the Union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerks & Addresses	Names of Messengers	Communion Month	Ordained Elders	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Sat. of Ch. Meeting	Total Membership	Contribution
Senter	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.	H. M. Bare, Rex Jones, John Woodruff	June								1	2	80	$ 22.00
South Fork ...	Ben Weaver, Box 53, Piney Creek, N. C. ...	Ben Weaver, Kemper Douglas, Irene Douglas	July									2	21	5.50
Big Helton ...	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, G. O. Blevins	July	1					1			3	72	25.00
Beaver Creek .	G. A. Miller West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks, Gaither Johnson ..	Aug.	1						2	2	4	20	17.00
Horse Creek .	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. .	Carl Ball, Lee Landreth, Arthur Eldreth	July									4	24	6.00
Pond Mtn.	Eddie Lyal, Tuckerdale, N. C.	Eld. Ed Davis, Ed Barker, G. C. Eldreth	Aug.	1								1	66	17.00
North Fork ...	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C. ..	W. W. Miller, L. V. Johnson, Marion Roten	July									1	35	29.00
River View ...	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.	Eld. G. D. Roten, T. E. Hartzog, J. C. McNeill	June	1							2	3	23	15.00
Roans Creek ..	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.	Fred Weaver, G. L. Mash, Tom Severt	July									4	51	16.25
Bare Creek ...	Earl Severt, RFD, West Jefferson .	Eld. W. E. Hester, Eld. Ed Severt, Earl Severt	May	2						1	2	1	25	26.00
Total				6					1	3	7		417	$178.75

MINUTES

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Senter District

Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

SENTER CHURCH

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

September 12, 13, 14, 1958

OFFICERS

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator ..... Tuckerdale, N. C.

ELDER P. T. McNEILL, Clerk ..... West Jefferson, N. C.

Next Association To Be Held With Big Helton Church,

Beginning On Friday, Before The Second

Sunday In September, 1959

Proceedings

Of The Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Friday, September 12, 1958

The association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order by prayer by Eld. Ed Douglas, correspondent from the Mountain Association.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten, Text: 1st Chapter, 2nd Verse, Philippians.

After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church house and was called to order by prayer by Elder D. C. Stover, a correspondent from the Indian Creek Association.

First: On motion read letters from all our churches and seated the messengers.

Second: On motion called for petitionary letters, received none.

Third: On motion, organized the association by electing Elder Ed Davis as Moderator and Elder P. T. McNeill as Clerk.

Fourth: Called for correspondents from sister Associations; the following came forward, were seated, given the right hand of welcome, and aided us in counsel·

Mountain Association: Brother J. I. Paisly, Elder A. C. Walker, Elder Ed Douglas, Brother Raymond Nichols.

Mates Creek: Elder Teddy Ball.

Roaring River: Brother C. B. S. Whittington, Brother Foscoe Pruitt.

Fifth: On motion, called for transient and visiting Brethern.

Mountain: Elder C B. Kilby, Elder Walter Evans, Brother Lon Mac Reeves and wife, Brother Robert Clary, Brother John Watson and wife, Brother Willie Joines and wife, Brother A. C. Choate, Brother Jack Reeves, Brother B. R. Douglas, and Brother Troy Clary.

St. Clair Bottom: Brother and Sister R. C. Price, Sister Ada Walten.

Indian Creek: Brother J. L. Davis, Elder D. C. Stover and wife, Brother Luther E. Stover.

State Line: Elder Joel Simmons.

Mates Creek: Brother Junior Casey.

Fisher's River: Elder H. B. Thomas, Elder Gray Fulk and wife, Brother D. K. Hutchins, Brother W. E. Thomas.

Sixth: On motion seated the correspondent and visitors from sister Associations.

Seventh: On motion, the moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

Eighth: Committee on the Ministery: Brother Fred Weaver, Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother W. W. Miller, with the messangers from this church.

Ninth: Committee on Finance: Brother T. E. Hartzog, Brother R. L. Speaks, and Brother Ed Barker.

Tenth: Committee on Arrangements: Elder G. D. Roten,

Elder Wiley Hester, Elder Ed Severt, Brother Rex Jones, and Brother G. E. Kilby.

Eleventh: Committee on Correspondence: Brother Gaither Johnson, Brother G. L. Mash, Brother Bob Blevins.

Twelfth: On motion, Committee on Arrangements to sit at Brother Rex Jones.

Appointed to preach at Beaver Creek Friday night, Elder Teddy Ball, Elder C. N. Tilson.

Elder Walter Evans to preach at Senter church this evening.

On motion that we adjourn till 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Saturday, September 13, 1958

The Association met persuant to adjournment of yesterday, and was called to order with prayer by Elder C. B. Stover, a correspondent from Indian Creek.

First: On motion called the roll and excused absentees.

Second: On motion omitted reading constitution and rules of decorum.

Third: On motion the correspondent that were appointed to Sister Association last year; report received and excused those who failed to go.

Fourth: On motion, called on committee that met to appoint correspondent to sister Association to report; their report is as follows:

To St. Claire Bottom: Brother H. M. Bare, Brother G. O. Blevins, Elder Wiley Hester.

To Indian Creek: Brother Ed Barker, Brother Earl Severt, Brother Bertie Bare.

To Mates Creek: Elder Wiley Hester, Elder P. T. McNeill, and Brother James Walters.

To Mountain: Elder Edd Davis, Brother James Walters, Brother B. O. Dolinger, and Brother Fred Weaver.

To Roaring River: Elder Edd Davis, Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother Tom Severt, Brother R. L. Speaks.

To Fisher's River: Elder Wiley Hester, Brother Tom Severt, Elder Edd Davis.

To State Line: Elder G. D. Roten, Brother J. C. McNeill, and Brother Frank Thompson.

Fifth: On motion that we continue to correspond with the Powell's Valley and Washington Associations by minutes.

Sixth: On motion that we omit printing rules of decorum and constitution in this minute.

Seventh: On motion that we pass up this matter for another year.

Eighth: On motion we appoint the clerk as treasurer, and he superintend the printing of these minutes and to have 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

Ninth: On motion that the next session of this association be held with the church at Big Helton, six miles north of Lansing on Highway 194, and that Elder Edd Davis preach the introductory sermon and that Elder G. D. Roten be alternate. To begin on Friday before the second Sunday of September, 1959

Tenth: On motion, that the Finance Committee report. Their report is as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 30.00
Received from churches	178.75
Total	$208.75
Allowed Moderator	$ 15.00
Allowed Clerk	15.00
Allowed For Printing and postage	55.00
Allowed Correspondence	123.00
Total	$208.75

Given at stand on Sunday by Brethren, Sisters, and Friends, for Corresponding and visiting elders, $79.00.

Eleventh: On motion, the minutes be read. Minutes read and approved.

Twelfth: On motion we adjourned with prayer by Elder Ed Severt until the next association.

Elder Edd Davis, Moderator
Elder P. T. McNeill, Clerk

Thus closed another session in which harmony, peace, and fellowship abounded. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday, September 12, 1958, the introductory sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten, Philippian, 1st Chapter, 2nd verse.

Friday night at Senter church, Elder Walter Evans.

Friday night at Beaver Creek, 1st, Elder H. B. Thomas; 2nd, Elder A. C. Walker; 3rd, Elder C. N. Tilson.

Saturday morning at stand, Elder H. B. Thomas, no special text; 2nd, Elder A. C. Walker, no special text; 3rd, Elder C. N. Tilson, no special text.

Saturday afternoon at stand, 1st, Elder Joel Simmons, no special text; 2nd, Elder Teddy Ball. Subject: "Jesus."

Saturday night at Senter church, 1st, Elder C. N. Tilson; 2nd, Elder D. C. Stover.

Sunday A. M. September 14, 1958 at stand.

To introduce Elder Sanders of St. Claire Bottom Association. 1st, Elder D. C. Stover; 2nd, Elder C. N. Tilson.

Sunday afternoon at stand, 1st, Elder Ed Douglas; 2nd, Elder J. G. Fulk.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis	Tuckerdale, North Carolina
Elder G. D. Roten	West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder P. T. McNeill	West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder W. E. Hester	Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Elder Ed Severt	Laurel Springs, North Carolina
Elder Blair Kilby	Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania

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Senter — 60	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek — 25	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.

Beaver Creek — 20 ..... G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.
Riverview — 25 ..... T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork — 40 ..... W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 50 ..... Eddie Lyalls, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Horse Creek — 20 ..... Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton — 60 ..... B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
Bare Creek — 25 ..... Earl W. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
South Fork — 25 ..... Irene Douglas, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and number of minutes Clerks and their addresses
St. Clair's Bottom — 15 .... Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilohowie, Va.
Mountain — 25 ..... Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mates Creek — 20 ..... Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Fishers River — 20 ..... O. W. Sisk, King, N. C.
Washington — 15 ..... Herman Kiser, Cleveland, Va.
Ebeneezer — 10 ..... W C. Wynham, Brightwood, Va.
Powells Valley -- 15 ..... M. V. Browning, Box 52
Maynardsville, Tennessee
Roaring River — 29 ..... Elder A. T. Whittington
North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Indian Creek — 20 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136,
Hinton, West Virginia

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerk & Addresses	Names of Messengers	Communion Month	Ordained Elders	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Sat. of Ch. Meeting	Total Membership	Contribution
Senter	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.	H. M. Bare, Rex Jones, John Woodruff	June					2	2	80	$ 22.00
South Fork	Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.	Kemper Douglas, Irene Douglas, Ben Weaver	July		2	2			2	21	5.50
Big Helton	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.	G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, G. O. Blevins	July	1		1			3	72	25.00
Beaver Creek	G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks, Gaither Johnson	Aug.	1					4	20	17.00
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.	Carl Ball, Lee Landreth, Arthur Eldreth	July						4	24	6.00
Pond Mtn.	Eddie Lyall, Tuckerdale, N. C.	Eld. Ed Davis, Ed Barker, G. C. Eldreth	Aug.	1					1	67	17.00
North Fork	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.	W. W. Miller, L. V. Johnson, Marion Roten	July						1	35	29.00
River View	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewiid, N. C.	Eld. G. D. Roten, T. E. Hartzog, J. C. McNeill	June	1				1	3	23	15.00
Roans Creek	F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.	Fred Weaver, G. L. Mash, Tom Severt	July						4	51	16.25
Bare Creek	Earl Severt, RFD, West Jefferson	Eld. W. E. Hester, Eld. Ed Severt, Earl Severt	May	2				2	1	25	26.00
Total				6		3		6		417	$178.75

MINUTES

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

BIG HELTON CHURCH
ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
September 11, 12, 13, 1959

OFFICERS

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator.....Tuckerdale, N. C.
EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk.....West Jefferson, N. C.

Next Association To Be Held With Horse Creek Church, Located 4 Miles Northwest of Lansing, N. C.

Beginning On Friday, Before The Third Sunday In August, 1960

CLAY PRINTING CO., OF W.-S., INC.

PROCEEDINGS

Of the Senter District Primitive Baptist Association
Held with Big Helton Church

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1959

The association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order by prayer by Eld. C. N. Tilson, visitor from the St. Clair's Bottom association.

The introductory Sermon was delivered by Eld. Ed Davis, Text: Timothy 2, 15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church and was called to order by prayer by Eld. M. H. Vaden, correspondent from Piney Grove Association.

First: On motion read letters from all the churches and seated the correspondents.

Second: On motion call for petition letters, received none.

Third: On motion organized the association by electing Eld. Ed Davis, Moderator and Br. Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Fourth: On motion called for correspondents from Sister Associations; the following came forward, were seated, given the right hand of welcome.

Mountain Association: Eld. Ed Douglas, Brother J. I. Pasley, Brother Lon M. Reeves, Brother J. H. Stamper.

St. Clair's Bottom Association: Brother Paul Sanders, Brother Wiley B. Greer, Brother R. C. Price.

Roaring River Association: Brother Carl Francis, Elder C. D. Hall, Brother Fosco Pruitt.

Mates Creek Association: Elder J. H. Blackburn.

Piney Grove Association: Elder Joel A. Simmons, Elder M. O. Stephens, Elder M. H. Vaden.

United Primitive Baptist of Virginia Association: Move made to take up correspondence, the following came forward and were seated as correspondents: Elder V. E. Ogle, Elder F. W. Stockner.

Fifth: On motion call for transient and visiting Brethren from Sister Associations, and the following came forward and were seated.

Mountain Association: Brother Willie Joines, Sister Madge Reeves, Brother G. R. Douglas, Brother A. J. Reeves and Wife, Brother Lester Irwin and Wife, Sister (Mrs.) Willie Joines.

Mates Creek Association: Brother Ferral Thacker and Wife, Sister Vissa Blackburn.

St. Clair's Bottom Association: Elder C. N. Tilson, Sister R. C. Price.

Indian Creek Association: Brother J. L. Davis, Elder C. B. D. Taylor and Wife, Deacon W. A. Davidson and Wife, Brother Luther Easter and Wife, Brother E. J. Sturgill and Wife.

Fishers River Association: Elder H. B. Thomas

Piney Grove Association: Sister Joel A. Simmons, Sister A. J. Bennett, Sister M. H. Vaden, Deacon Roy Hall, Deacon N. A. Alley.

Roaring River Association: Sister C. D. Hall

Sixth: On motion seat correspondents and visitors from Sister Associations.

Seventh: On motion that the Moderator make all temporary appointments in this session.

Eighth: On motion Committee on Ministry: Elder Dewey Roten, Brother Fred Weaver, Brother Bertie Bare.

Ninth: On motion Committee on Finance: Brother W. W. Miller, Brother T. E. Hartzog, Brother Floyd Miller.

Tenth: On motion Committee on Arrangements: Elder Wiley Hester, Elder Ed Severt, Brother G. E. Kilby, Elder G. D. Roten, Brother B. O. Dollinger.

Eleventh: On motion Committee on Correspondence: Brother R. L. Speaks, Brother Millard Davis, Brother Ed Barker.

Twelfth: On motion that the committee on arrangements meet at Brother B. O. Dollinger's home

Thirteenth: On motion that Elder C. N. Tilson, and Elder V. E. Ogle, preach today.

Fourteenth: On motion appoint Elder Ed Douglas, and Elder Joel A. Simmons, to preach at Beaver Creek Church Friday night.

Fifteenth: On motion appoint Elder F. W. Stockner, and Elder V. E. Ogle, to preach at Big Helton Church Friday night.

Sixteenth: On motion to adjourn until 9:30 a.m. tomorrow.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1959

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, and was called to order by song, and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten of the Senter Association.

First: On motion called the roll and excused absentees.

Second: On motion omitted reading constitution and rules of decorum.

Third: On motion the correspondents that were appointed to Sister Associations last year report; reports received and those who failed to go excused.

Fourth: On motion called on committee that met to appoint correspondents to Sister Associations to report; their report is as follows.

To Fishers River: Brother Tom Severt, Deacon Floyd Miller, Deacon Jim Walters. Next Association will be held with Deep Creek Church. Go by way of Elkin, to Boonville, N. C. turn left on Smithtown road, then right, then turn left on dirt road to Church. Starts on Friday before the Second Sunday in July, 1960.

To Indian Creek: Elder Wiley Hester, Deacon R. L. Speaks, Elder Ed Severt. Next session to be held with the Greenbrier Church, on route 3, about 7 miles east of Hinton, W. Va. Convenes on Friday before the last Sunday in August, 1960.

To Mates Creek: Brother Earl W. Severt, Elder Ed Davis, Deacon Bertie Bare. To be held with Old Pond Church at Belfry, Ky. Go by way of Damascus, Abingdon, Lebanon, Raven, Grundy, Va., Phelps, Ky., Matewan, W. Va., Hardy, Ky., to Belfry, Ky. Begins on Friday before the First Sunday in Sept., 1960.

To Mountain: Elder G. D. Roten, Deacon Fred Weaver, Deacon W. W. Miller. To be held with the Crab Creek Church, on Highway 18 about ten miles East of Sparta, N. C. To begin on Friday before 1st Sunday in September, 1960.

To Piney Grove: Elder G. D. Roten, Elder Wiley Hester, Deacon Millard Davis. Convenes with Pleasant View Church, located near Danbury, Stokes County, N. C., Friday before the second Sunday in May, 1960.

To Roaring River: Elder G. D. Roten, Deacon Ed Barker, Elder Ed Davis. To convene with Mulberry Church. Will be held at Cross Roads Church, about 8 miles north of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Starts on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in Sept., 1960.

To St. Clair's Bottom: Brother G. E. Kilby, Elder P. T. McNiell, Elder Ed Severt. To convene with Tumbling Creek Church, four miles West of Saltville, Va. in Poore Valley. Starts on Friday before the Third Sunday in September, 1960.

To United Primitive Baptist of Virginia Association: Elder Ed Davis, Elder Ed Severt, Deacon R. L. Speaks. Will convene with the Laurel Fork Church, beginning on Friday before the Second Sunday in June, 1960.

To Washington: Elder Ed Davis, Elder G. D. Roten, Elder Wiley Hester, Elder Ed Severt, Brother Tom Severt. Will be held with the Slate Creek Church, about eight miles out of Grundy, Va. Turn right in Grundy, Church is near Highway. Convenes on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1960.

Fifth: On motion that we continue to correspond with the Powell's Valley Association by minutes.

Sixth: On motion that the rules of decorum and constitution be printed in this minute.

Seventh: On motion we appoint the clerk as treasurer, also overseeing the printing of the minutes insofar as handling the distribution of the five hundred copies as usual.

Eighth: On motion the next session of the association to be held at Horse Creek Church, located four miles northwest of Lansing. N. C. Take route No. 88 to Warrensville, No. 194 to Lansing.

Introductory sermon to be delivered by Elder Wiley Hester.

Alternate Elder Ed Severt.

Ninth: On motion that the Finance Committee report, as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 10.00
Received from churches	181.25
Total revenue	$191.25

Expenditures	
Moderator	15.00
Clerk	15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	60.00
Correspondents	101.25
Expenditures	$191.25

Contributed on Sunday by Brethren, Sisters, Friends, for corresponding and visiting Elders 124.00

Tenth: On Motion that blank association letters be printed.

Eleventh: On motion that the association time be moved up to Friday before the third Sunday of August, 1960.

Twelfth: On motion that we associate with the Washington Association by messengers.

Thirteenth: On motion obituaries appear in the minutes.

Fourteenth: On motion the minutes read and approved.

Fifteenth: On motion adjourned with prayer by Elder Edd Davis and be the Lord willing shall meet at the time and place named above.

Elder Edd Davis, Moderator

Earl W. Severt, Clerk

Thus closed another session of the Senter Association with peace and union felt by one and all. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday, September 11, 1959, introductory sermon delivered by Elder Edd Davis. Text: 2. Timothy 2. 15.

Friday Afternoon, Elder C. N. Tilson 1st.
Elder V. E. Ogle 2nd.

Friday Night at Beaver Creek Church, Elder Edd Douglas, also Elder Joel A. Simmons.

Friday Night at Big Helton Church, Elder F. W. Stockner, also Elder V. E. Ogle.

Saturday Morning at stand:
Elder V. E. Ogle 1st.
Elder F. W. Stockner 2nd. Text: Fear Not It Is I.
Elder M. O. Stephens 3rd.
Elder Edd Douglas 4th. Text: Song of Solomon 2nd. Chapter 1st. Verse

Saturday Afternoon at stand:
Elder C. B. D. Taylor 1st. Text: St. John 1st Chapter: In The Beginning Was The Word.
Elder H. B. Thomas 2nd. No special text.
Elder Edd Davis, Closed.

Saturday Night Service, held at Beaver Creek Church; Service opened by Song and Prayer, directed by Elder C. D. Hall. Elder J. H. Blackburn delivered The Message.

Sunday Morning, introductory with Song and Prayer led by
Elder F. O. Sanders, of the St. Clair's Bottom Assoc.
Elder R. L. Bond 1st.
Elder J. H. Blackburn 2nd. Text: JESUS.
Elder Joel A. Simmons 3rd. No Special Text.

Elder Edd Davis Moderator of this Association, brought to close the three day session with Song and Prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Edd Davis ..... Tuckerdale, North Carolina
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder P. T. McNeill ..... West Jefferson, North Carolina
Elder W. E. Hester ..... Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Elder Edd Severt ..... Laurel Springs, North Carolina
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and number of minutes **Clerks and their addresses**
Bear Creek—25 ..... Earl W. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
Beaver Creek—20 ..... G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton—60 ..... B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.
Horse Creek—20 ..... Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
North Fork—40 ..... W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.

Pond Mountain—50 ..... Eddie Lyalls, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Riverview—25 ..... T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
Roans Creek—25 ..... F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.
Senter—60 ..... Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
South Fork—25 ..... Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and number of minutes **Clerks and their addresses**
Ebenezer—10 ..... W. C. Wynham, Brightwood, Va.
Fishers River—20 ..... O. W. Sisk, King, N. C.
Indian Creek—20 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Mates Creek—20 ..... Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Mountain—25 ..... Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Powells Valley—15...
M. V. Browning, Box 52, Maynardsville, Tenn.
Roaring River—29 .... John D. Hall, 278 South St., Elkin, N. C.
St. Clairs Bottom—15 ..... Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilohowie, Va.
Washington—15 ..... Elder L. S. Street, Grundy, Va.
United P. B. in Va.—10 ..... Elder E. S. Salmons, Floyd, Va.
Piney Grove—10 ..... S. O. Shelton, Francisco, N. C.

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our sister churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following times and churches.

Bear Creek ..... 1st Saturday and Sunday in May
Senter ..... 2nd Saturday and Sunday in June
River View ..... 3rd Saturday and Sunday in June
North Fork ..... 1st Saturday and Sunday in July
South Fork ..... 2nd Saturday and Sunday in July
Big Helton ..... 3rd Saturday and Sunday in July
Horse Creek ..... 4th Saturday and Sunday in July
Roans Creek ..... 4th Saturday and Sunday in July
Pond Mountain ..... 1st Saturday and Sunday in August
Beaver Creek ..... 4th Saturday and Sunday in August

OBITUARIES

ROXIE HUDSON WYRICK

Roxie Hudson Wyrick was born March 13, 1894—Making her stay on earth 65 years, 7 months and 19 days.

She was the daughter of Gordon and Jane Hudson—both preceded her in death. She was married to James Wyrick, Feb. 12, 1915. To this union was born four children: Mrs. Mable Bare of Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Velan Bare of Columbus, Ohio; Mr.

Arnold Wyrick of Winston-Salem, N. C.; one son Sammy Joe who preceded her in death at the age of two. Also surviving are four brothers, and two sisters: John and Bill Hudson of Columbus, Ohio; Fred Hudson of Penn. and Joe of Florida; Mrs. Wiley Johnson of Millers Creek, N. C.: Mrs. Henry Douglass of North Wilkesboro, N. C., also twelve grand children.

She was a member of the Senter Primitive Baptist Church, which she joined at an early age.

Our loss is her eternal gain.

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HIRAM GRATSY BARE

Hiram Gratsy Bare was born August 9, 1880. Died June 6, 1959. Making his stay here on earth 78 years, 9 months, and 6 days.

Was married to Mertie Ann Bare, October 17, 1902. To this union was born eleven children. Mrs. Ruth Bare of Edgewood, Md. Lawson B. Bare of Newport News, Va. Kilby Bare of North East, Md. Mrs. Mabel Phillips of West Jefferson, N. C. Glenn J. Bare of Jefferson, N. C. Walker Bare and Poul Bare also Burrell Bare of the home. His wife, one son Wilson Bare of Idlewild, N. C. and 2 infant daughters Brucie Fay Bare, and Addie May Bare preceded him in death.

He leaves 18 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, 4 sisters; Mrs. Linda Craft of Fleetwood, N. C. Mrs. Addie Colvard of Crumpler, N. C. Mrs. Mary Crouse of Sparta, N. C. Mrs. Effie McMillan of Aubrey, Texas.

He professed a hope in Christ early in life, joined the Senter Primitive Baptist Church where he remained a faithful member until death.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection; but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of Brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton, and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by their respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church, 21st. October, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead, since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any classical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the Union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular Decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any Sister Association, upon application by letter and Delegates, shall be admitted into our Union.

7. Every church in the Union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the number of the proceedings; the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general Union of Churches; to endeavor to preserve a change of communion among the churches; to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any Church in the Union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living GOD, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of GOD and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the Doctrine of Election by GRACE.

4. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will ABILITY.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and Sanctified by the HOLY SPIRIT, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the SPIRIT OF GOD shall never fall finally AWAY.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of GOD only by the imputed RIGHTEOUSNESS OF JESUS CHRIST.

7. We believe that BAPTISM and the LORD'S SUPPER are ordinances of JESUS CHRIST and that true believers are the only SUBJECTS of those ordinances and we believe the only true mode of BAPTISM is by IMMERSION.

8. We believe in the RESURRECTION of the DEAD and a general ENJOYMENT and the JOYS of the RIGHTEOUS and that the punishment of the Wicked will be ETERNAL.

9. We believe that no MINISTER has the right to administer the ORDINANCES of the GOSPEL except such as are regularly called, and come under the IMPOSITION of HANDS by THE PRESBYTERY.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerks and Addresses	Church Messengers	Communion Month	Sat. of Ch. Meeting	Ordained Elders	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
Bear Creek	Earl W. Severt, Rt. 2, West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. W. E. Hester, Eld. Edd Severt, Earl Severt	May	1	2					25	$ 21.00
Beaver Creek	G. A. Miller West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks, Gaither Johnson	Aug.	4	1	2				22	17.00
Big Helton	B. O. Dolinger Lansing, N. C.	Bro. G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger, G. O. Blevins	July	3	1				2	69	35.00
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Carl Ball, Milllard Davis, Arthur Eldreth	July	4				1		23	7.25
North Fork	W. W. Miller, Warrensville, N. C.	Bro. W. W. Miller, Lester Johnson, Ben Roten	July	1					1	30	28.00
Pond Mtn.	Eddie Lyle Tuckerdale, N. C.	Eld. Edd Davis, Edd Barker Eddie Lyle	Aug.	1	1					68	17.00
River View	T. E. Hartzog Idlewild, N. C.	Eld. G. D. Roten, T. E. Hartzog, J. C. McNeill	June	3	1					23	18.00
Roans Creek	E. T. Miller Sparta, N. C.	Bro. Fred Weaver, F. T. Miller, F. O. Thompson	July	4						51	10.00
Senter	Rex Jones Crumpler, N. C.	Bro. Rex Jones, Bertie Bare, Jim Walters	June	2					5	75	21.00
South Fork	Ben Weaver Piney Creek, N. C.	Bro. Ben Weaver, Sis. Lula Williams, Jennie Miller	July	2						19	7.00
		Totals			6	2		1	8	405	$181.25

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

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Baptist Association

Held With

RSE CREEK CHURCH
UNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
gust 19, 20, 21, 1960

OFFICERS

IS, Moderator.....Tuckerdale, N. C.
RT, Clerk.....West Jefferson, N. C.

of the Association to be held at
Church, located 1 mile southwest
rson, N. C. on Beaver Creek Road.

On Friday, Before The Third
August 18th, 19th, 20th, 1961